DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND AGRICULTURE.

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Government are pleased to make the following rules under Section 12 of the Elementary Education Regulation, V of 1913.

1. The following schools are recognised for the purposes of the Elementary Education Regulation, V of 1913.

Section 3.

(1) All Government and aided institutions giving instruction in English or a Vernacular language up to and including the III standard as defined in the Mysore Educational Rules; and

(2) Other institutions specially recognised by the Inspector-General of Education and notified in the *Mysore Gazette.*

2. The period of attendance at school required under the Regulation shall be not less than 200 days in the year beginning with the 1st of June and not less than fifteen days in any month and not less than 4 hours on each day of attendance, provided that the Inspector-General of Education may fix other periods of attendance in special cases.

3. The following persons are authorised to grant certificates of exemption from attendance to children between the ages of 7 and 11 on requisition from their parents or guardians after properly satisfying themselves of the existence of a reasonable excuse for non-attendance.

Section 4 (2)

(*a*) Any member of the School Committee for the area;

(*b*) Any Gazetted Officer of Government or any Amildar, Deputy Amildar, Taluk Sheristadar, Police Inspector, Sub-Registrar and hobli shekdar;

(*c*) Any Headmaster of a Government or Aided School within the area;

(*d*) Any Magistrate;

(*e*) Any member of a Municipal Board, District Board, Taluk Board, Municipality or Union, or any member of the Legislative Council, Representative Assembly, Economic Conference, residing within the area; and

(*f*) Any other person who may be specially authorised either by the Inspector-General or by the Deputy Commissioner of the District or the President of the Municipality concerned for specified local areas.

4. All exemption certificates shall be granted on printed forms as appended to these rules which can be had free of cost from the School Committee of the area concerned.

Any person who wishes to obtain a certificate will get a form and produce it to the authority empowered to grant such certificates. The latter will hand over one copy to the applicant and send the other to the School Committee of the place.

5. No certificates shall hold good for a period exceeding three months.

6. Every School Committee shall consist of a Chairman and not less than five members and not more than ten or such other maximum number of members as may be fixed by the Inspector-General of Education. The nomination of the Chairman and the members shall be made by the Inspector-General of Education, or in Municipal areas, by the President of the Municipality concerned, with the concurrence of the Inspector-General.

7. The names of all members of School Committees shall be notified in the official Gazette by the Inspector-General of Education.

8. A School Committee shall remain in office for a period of three years, the members being eligible for re-nomination.

9. For each defined area where the Elementary Education Regulation is brought into operation, there shall be an Attendance Officer, paid or honorary, according to circumstances who shall be nominated from among the members of the School Committee or otherwise by the School Committee for a period of three years at a time, with the previous approval of the Inspector-General or the President of the Municipality concerned, with the concurrence of the Inspector-General of Education.

10. The duties of an Attendance Officer shall include the checking of attendance reports, scrutiny of exemption certificates, issue of warnings, institution of prosecutions and all such other duties as the School Committee may entrust to him, or as the Inspector-General or the President of the Municipality concerned in consultation with the Inspector-General, may assign from time to time.

11. The powers and duties of the Committee are as follows:—

(1) They shall consider the educational needs of the area and take after consultation with the Education Department such steps as may be desirable to supply them.

(2) They shall maintain an up-to-date list of all boys of the prescribed ages, and shall secure their attendance at school by such means as may be authorised;

(3) They shall send to the Inspector-General of Education or to such other Educational Officer as may be nominated by the Inspector-General a quarterly return of children between the ages of 7 and 11 attending schools within their area.

(4) Whenever the Committee are satisfied that a boy who ought to attend school does not do so without lawful excuse, shall, after due warning in writing served on the parent under the signature of the Chairman or the Attendance Officer or an Inspecting Officer of the Education Department not lower in rank than an Assistant Inspector of Education, make a complaint through their Attendance Officer or any other person authorised by them, against the parent of the boy before a Magistrate having jurisdiction, under Section 8 of the Regulation.

(5) It shall also be within the competance of the School Committee to institute prosecution under Section 9 of the Regulation through the Attendance Officer or any other person authorised by them against an employer who knowingly employs any boy in contravention of Section 6 of the said Regulation.

(6) The School Committee shall meet once at least every month, and a member who fails to attend three meetings consecutively, shall be considered to have vacated his seat unless the absence is condoned by the Inspector-General or by the President of the Municipality concerned.

(7) An extraordinary meeting shall be held at any time on the written requisition of three members of the Committee addressed to the Attendance Officer.

(8) The quorum to be fixed by the Committee shall consist of not less than three members.

(9) Every question shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present and voting on the question.

(10) The names of the members present and in the case of a division the names of those voting upon each question shall be recorded in the Minute Book.

(11) If, at any meeting, the Chairman is not present at the time appointed to hold the same, the members present shall choose one of their number to be the Chairman of such meeting.

(12) In case of an equality of votes at any meeting the Chairman of such meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

(13) A copy of the proceedings of every meeting shall be sent to the Inspector-General of Education or to such other officer or officers as he may specify.

(14) The Committee shall, with the approval of the Inspector-General of Education or President of the Municipality concerned, have power to fill up casual vacancies for the remaining period of the term any member whose seat has become vacant.

(15) The Headmasters of all recognised schools shall be bound to furnish all information which the School Committee may reasonably require in the discharge of its duties.

(16) The Attendance Officer shall act as Secretary to the School Committee.

12. Should a boy not appear at the school within seven days of the day appointed for entrance or should a boy already entered be absent for seven days continuously, without proper reasons, the Headmaster of the School concerned will notify the fact to the School Committee.

13. The Deputy Commissioner of the District or the President of the Municipality concerned shall, within 30 days from the date of the Government Notification bringing any defined area under the operation of the Elementary Education Regulation or such other reasonable time as may be fixed in consultation with the Inspector-General of Education, cause to be prepared a full and correct list of all children of the prescribed ages in the above area and sent to the Attendance Officer attached to the School Committee for the use of such Committee.

14. The Deputy Commissioner of the District, or the President of the Municipality concerned shall also cause such list to be annually revised in the month of April and a copy,

of the revised list sent before the 1st May to the Attendance Officer for the use of the School Committee.

15. The Inspector-General of Education shall have power to issue from time to time such subsidiary instructions as may be needed for the effectual carrying out of the provisions of the Elementary Education Regulation and of these rules, and all communications regarding matters requiring the orders of Government shall be made through him.

By Order,
C. S. BALASUNDARAM IYER,
Secretary to Government.

(To be in duplicate.)

.....District..... .....Taluk or town
.....Village or Mohalla.

Name of parent and address	Name of boy	Age of boy	Reason for exemption	Period of exemption

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Station — Signature of person granting certificate.
Dated .....
Designation and address.

FINANCIAL.

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The following rules explaining the concessions that will be given to promoters of Light Railways in the State are published for general information.

By Order,
J. S. CHAKRAVARTI,
Financial Secretary to Government.

Terms on which the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are prepared to consider offers for the construction of branch lines of Railway within the State.

1. The concessions to be given to promoters of Light Railways in the State will be decided in each case by Government and embodied in detail in separate agreements. Such concessions will be generally on the lines adopted in British India (*vide* the latest rules published in the *Gazette of India*, Part I, dated 29th November 1913, pages 1304 to 1311) with the modification that the rate guaranteed in the Mysore State will be 4 per cent instead of 3½ per cent and with some minor changes indicated by the rules below or other special orders of Government. Extracts from the Government of India Rules adapted to local conditions are appended hereto (Annexure A). The present rules relate only to arrangements for financing local railway projects.

2. Whenever a District Board, a private company or any other body offers to raise capital for constructing a feeder railway, the Government may, after such enquiry as they may deem fit, guarantee the payment of interest on such capital at 4 per cent per annum for a period not exceeding 30 years.

3. In the matter of affording guarantee and granting other concessions, Government will give preference to lines according to their importance and also according to the proportion of capital raised locally by the financing body. Government reserve to themselves the power of rejecting applications without assigning any reason.

4. If any line guaranteed under Rule 2 works at a loss, that is, pays less than 4 per cent per annum on the paid-up capital, an amount sufficient to raise the return to 4 per cent on the whole capital will be paid from State Funds.